

Vayikra ויקרא

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Israeli city of the Week

Beit Shemesh



Bet Shemesh is a very well-known city in Eretz Yisrael. It was started by the Canaanites who named the city. After the Plishtim stole the aron from the Jews, and the Jews got it back, the first stop it took was in Bet Shemesh. During the 1948 Independence War, Bet Shemesh was an important point of battle between the Egyptian army and the new Israeli army. It changed hands many times but was won by the Israelis. At first very few people were religious in Bet Shemesh, but today over 60% of the families observe Torah and Mitzvot and this coming year over 100% of the children in school in Bet Shemesh will be from Mitzvah observant families!!



What's happening here ?

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MITZVAH OF THE WEEK:

Telling the story: Hashem told Bnei Yisrael that on the first night of Pesach people should get together and tell their children and grand-children the story of the Jews as slaves in Mitzraim, the plagues, and the Jews going free. Every year we fulfill this mitzvah on Pesach at the seder.

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Rabbi Lax's Parsha Challenge: Send a selfie / drawing / artwork / LEGO of a Korban you could bring when the Beit Hamildash gets rebuilt

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Rabbi Eliezer Gordon was the head of a yeshiva called Telz. The Telz Yeshiva was named after the town of Telz, which was in a country called Lithuania. Rabbi Gordon was both the Rosh Yeshiva and the Rav of the city. When Rabbi Gordon was 70 there was a big fire in Telz, and most of the houses in the town burnt down. Rabbi Gordon went to England to raise money to rebuild Telz and while he was there, he fell ill and passed away.

Dvar Torah for Kids:

Shabbat Shalom,
This week we start a new sedra and a new sefer – Sefer Vayikra. It is very exciting to start a new sefer, because whenever we begin something new there are surprises at every corner. Surprises are always exciting.

This week we learn about

korbonos which were animals we brought to the Beis Hamikdash. The Beis Hamikdash was a place where all of Bnei Yisrael went to Daven to Hashem and get close to Him. Many, many mitzvos were done in the Beis Hamikdash. Although most people think the most important mitzvot in the Beis Hamikdash was the korbonos, in truth the most important mitzvah that was done in the Beis Hamikdash was Torah study. The Sanhedrin sat in the Beis Hamikdash and studied the highest level of Torah there

Did You Know?

That on the day before pesach (called erev pesach) there used to be a special korbon given, the korbon pesach. Every Jew has to join in with a korbon pesach.

